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The applicant encloses one article and three patents as
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- 1) Review of Science & Instruments (Clippingdale et
al) Vol. 65(1) January 1994, pp 269-70
- 2) US 3,880,146 Everett et al
- 3) US 3,882,846 Fletcher et al

4) US 4,602,639 Hoogendoorn

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Discussion

The 1994 Clippingdale article refers to the detection of electrostatic fields at a distance. It does not refer to forming a voltage divider network that includes a return electrode for coupling to a body and thereby forming a closed circuit that incorporates the voltage divider. Further no reference is made to the presence of "an RC filter with a low-frequency cut-off of at least 0.05 hertz" as provided in claim 1.

US 3,880,146 describe a dual electrode differential pick-up, but does not rely on a capacitive pickups operating in a "stand-off" configuration.

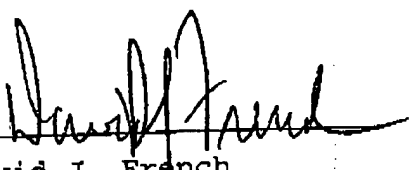
US 3,882,846 describes a capacitive pickup electrode, but does not refer to the presence of the RC filter limitation, nor does it refer to operating with low capacitive coupling, in the "stand-off" regime. Capacitance values listed in Table 1 are outside this regime.

US 4,602,639 describes a contact less pick-up for sensing charge concentrations. This reference does not contemplate use of a voltage divider network with a return electrode for coupling to a body to create a closed circuit. No reference is made to an RC filter element.

Respectfully,

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